

Sunday 4th  
October 2026

## Welcome to St Oswald's Church, Sowerby

*Readings: Philippians 3.4b—14, Matthew 21.33—end*

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| Sunday 4th    | 8:30am<br>10:30am  | Holy Communion<br>Morning Praise*                                                           |
| Monday 5th    | 10:00am            | Little Wonders                                                                              |
| Tuesday 6th   | 9:30am             | Prayer Meeting in Church                                                                    |
| Wednesday 7th | 9:30am<br>1:00pm   | Holy Communion<br>Nurture Group                                                             |
| Thursday 8th  | 10:00am<br>7:30pm  | House Group (30 Cocked Hat Park)<br>House Group (Orchid House)<br>House Group (Long Street) |
| Friday 9th    | 11:00am<br>12:00pm | Funeral of Charlotte Leggett<br>Warm Welcome Lunch (Hall)                                   |
| Sunday 11th   | 8:30am<br>10:30am  | Early Worship<br>Holy Communion*                                                            |

\*Zoom is always available for these services, but on request. You can request up to 9.30am on a Sunday morning by calling 07710 747 841: <https://zoom.us/j/2607227907>

\*\*For more details about our Children and Youth activities please contact [admin@stoswaldsowerby.org.uk](mailto:admin@stoswaldsowerby.org.uk)

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## NOTICES

**This Sunday is Morning Praise:** this week the 4<sup>th</sup> October is the first Sunday and is Godly Play and children can be dropped off at the Annex.

**Bible Study Groups:** House groups meet on a Thursday night (7.30-9pm) at Orchid House and 135 Long Street, Thirsk YO7 1BB.

**Daytime House Group:** This week we are having a break. There will be coffee etc at Chris and Heather's House instead (37 Ripon Way).  
Back to usual the following weeks!

**Children's groups run during term time:** All at 10.30am. 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday is Godly Play suitable for 3—11-year-olds, there will be a crèche available for under 3s with parents in the Merriam room at all Godly Play sessions which are held in the annex during our 10.30 service. 3<sup>rd</sup> Sundays at St Oswald's is our Worship for all service where children are encouraged to be in the church with parents\carers. 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday is our kids club for 4-11year olds, held in the annex where children can be dropped off from 10.20, our leaders will bring them back into church at 11.10 in time to take part in our family communion. There will be a crèche at the back of church for children aged under 4.

**Please note that Front Street, Sowerby will be closed from Monday 5<sup>th</sup> October for 3 days** — from the junction with back lane to the junction with gravel hole lane for resurfacing. There will be no access during these days, and the Council have asked that you make arrangements to store vehicles at an alternative location. There will be no access by vehicles to Church during these dates.

**Reminder for PCC Members:** Please can PCC members fill in the Self-Reflection and Development Tool from the last meeting and return to Church when completed. Thank you.



**Monday 19<sup>th</sup> October at St Wilfred's South Kilvington:** the Rev Canon Sam Taylor, Diocesan Director of Ordinands (DDO), will be coming to an open meeting to talk about vocations. This will be encompassing different forms of lay ministry as well as training towards ordination.

If you, or you know anyone who is starting to ask questions about getting more involved in church life, lay or ordained ministry, then please do invite them along! For more details contact Nigel Chapman.

**An update on Dorothy Smith and a request for prayer:** Dorothy is on end-of-life care. Please pray that her pain can be controlled and that she will be at peace. Please pray also for her family and for skill and gentleness for those who are caring for her.

**Save the Date:** Our alternative Halloween event - Messy Church will be at 6pm on Saturday 31<sup>st</sup> October 2026 at 6pm. More details will follow.

**Save the Date:** This year's Coffee, Cake and Craft event is on Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> November 2026. This is our only church fundraiser for the year and is always a great outreach to our community. We are looking for the following items to sell on the stalls:

Jewellery/watches, costume, gold, silver or any other.

Books - hardback or paperback, fiction or non-fiction

Items for a white elephant stall including jigsaws.

Bottles - for a tombola these can contain anything from ketchup to wine.

Raffle Prizes-Anything suitable.

Cakes - for cutting and selling with teas & coffee.

Cakes, scones, homemade biscuits, jams, chutneys for a cake stall.

We also need helpers to help set up and run the stalls on the day. Please speak to Pauline or Ann today.



## Collect — The eighteenth Sunday after Trinity

God, our judge and saviour,  
teach us to be open to your truth  
and to trust in your love,  
that we may live each day  
with confidence in the salvation which is given  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

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